



Providing the **Resources** to Manage Your Human Resources

NFC's Customer Support Office
USDA Training Center
South Agriculture Building
14th & Independence Ave., SW
Washington, D.C.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Wednesday, June 21, 2000

9:00 a.m. – Noon	Customer Briefing for Human Resource Directors	Jefferson Auditorium
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Application Demonstrations

Time	Application	Location	Presenter
8:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.	EPIC	Lincoln 1	Cynthia Simon
	PODS	Carver	Arleen Luc
	STAR	Lincoln 2	Andrea Robinson
	Reporting Center	Stockberger	Steve Cunningham
	EPP	Lincoln 3	Gaynel Seibert

Thursday, June 22, 2000

8:30 a.m. – Noon	EPIC PODS STAR Reporting Center EPP	Lincoln 1 Carver Lincoln 2 Stockberger Lincoln 3	Cynthia Simon Arleen Luc Andrea Robinson Steve Cunningham Gaynel Seibert
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**Meet NFC's Director, John R. Ortego, on Wednesday,
June 21, from 1 to 3 p.m. in the Resource Room**

Application Descriptions and Acronyms

REPORTING CENTER

The Reporting Center is a Web-based solution for your reporting needs. No desktop software, plug-ins, or downloads will be required. This new "reporting tool of choice" is designed to allow managers and other non-FOCUS users within your agency to produce predefined and customized reports by retrieving data from the Payroll/Personnel System.

EPIC (Entry Processing Inquiry and Correction)

EPIC is a Windows-based system that allows users to enter, correct, and inquire on personnel actions and payroll transactions. It will replace PACT, PRES, SING, FINQ, and HCUP when implemented in the personnel office. EPIC was nominated by the Chief Executive Officer of Sterling, Inc., for inclusion in the Smithsonian Institution's permanent research collection in the Government and nonprofit organization category. The award, sponsored by "ComputerWorld," is for "visionary use of information technology that produces positive social, economic, and educational change."

EPP (Employee Personal Page)

The Employee Personal Page is a new feature on the NFC Website that allows employees serviced by NFC to view their payroll, leave, travel, life insurance, health insurance, savings bond, and other personal information.

PODS (Personnel Office Desktop Solutions)

PODS is a client/server-based front-end application that interfaces with the USDA Payroll/Personnel System on NFC's mainframe. PODS is a front-end processing system used to automate personnel functions such as staffing, position classification, vacancy announcements, personnel action processing, and reporting.

STAR (System for Time and Attendance Reporting)

STAR is a Windows-based system which allows entry, correction, and printing of time and attendance (T&A) reports. It also prepares the T&A transmission to NFC. STAR replaces the Personal Computer Time and Attendance Remote Entry System (PC-TARE).

**For more information, contact:
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